Necessity of putting off our Meeting at Newcastle till the 30th Letter Bk. IV of this or 1st of next Month before which time I hope that either Governor Hamilton or I shall receive the Instrument we applied for last Fall, if not we shall endeavour to proceed without it in the best manner we can. I understand that there is a Ship of Mr Thos Philpots just come into Potuxent from London. Inclosed I send you my Speech at the opening of the Session with the Addresses of both Houses in Answer thereto, which I beg the favour of you to present with my Duty to His Ldp; Was it not for encreasing the postage I would have sent you two Copies. I am-

[Amherst to Sharpe.]

Original.

New York, 17th April 1762

Sir,

Immediately on the Arrival of Lt Colonel Dagworthy & Doctor Ross, who Delivered me Your Letter of the 13th March, I Directed the Commissioners to Examine into the several Claims made by the Province of Maryland, and that had been transmitted to me by the Lords of the Treasury, with the Vouchers that the above Gentlemen would produce for the Support thereof, and to Report to me their opinion of these several Demands, that I might order payment for such as Appeared to be Justly due, agreeable to the Intentions of

the Lords of the Treasury.

This Business has been a little Retarded by the Indisposition of one of the Commissioners; but they having now gone thro' the whole, & Reported to me a Clear State thereof, I have granted a Warrant to Lt Colonel Dagworthy for the Sum of Four Thousand Two Hundred Five Pounds, Nineteen Shillings and Ten Pence Sterling; Being in full of all Demands for Pay, or other monies due to the Officers & Soldiers of the Maryland Troops; and likewise a Warrant to Doctor David Ross for one Thousand one Hundred Fifty Three Pounds & Twelve Shillings Sterling; Being in full of all his Demands for Provisions &ca. furnished to the Maryland Troops, as set forth in his Memorial. And in order that these Gentlemen, as well as the other Persons concerned, may be satisfied with the manner of settling the above Accompts, I have Delivered them Copies thereof, as stated by the said Commissioners; and I must Desire you will be pleased to give Publick Notice of these payments being made, that those to whom the monies may be due, may know where to Apply for their respective Debts, & Receive the same accordingly.

With regard to Your own Accompt of Travelling Expences &ca. I should never have thought of Demanding Vouchers